# RIVER ROAD STUDY COMMITTEE PROGRESS UPDATE

**Economic Development Advisory Board May 2, 2016** 

## Started With MIT Visioning Study

### Key Findings:

- Industrial District "Emerald Island" a priority catalyst site
- Creating overlay zone that allows for mixed uses
- Increasing baseline FAR with incentives for specific uses amenities
- Opportunity to provide an improved connection between the Village, neighborhoods and Emerald Necklace
- Opportunity to create a gateway district -"next piece of the Route 9 east puzzle"



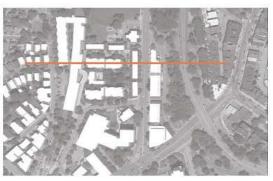


Figure 4.20: Aerial view of Emerald Island showing the location of the section shown below.

Figure 4.18: Potential building massing for Emerald Island (FAR shown: 5.0).

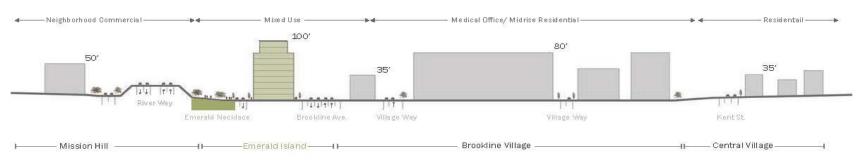


Figure 4.19: Section for Emerald Island showing relationship with surrounding neighborhood. Lack of abutters and proximity to other large projects allow for higher densities on Emerald Island.

Recommendations | 47

"Additional market and financial feasibility analysis is needed to determine the appropriate scale of future projects..." (Pg. 73 Bringing Back Boylston, 2015)

# RRSC Guiding Principles

- Optimize unique urban (edge condition and) relationships to Emerald Necklace,
   LMA, Brookline Village
- Enhance Public Realm especially due to proximity to Emerald Necklace
- Active inviting streetscape and walkable / bikeable district with Porosity and making connections
- Vigorous hybrid multi-use commercial development in transit rich location
- Highest and best use of site
- Revenue producing uses
- Scale that is respectful to the surroundings
- Aggregation of and synergies of parcels
- Positive environmental impact

## River Road Study Committee Land Parcels & Existing Uses



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Development Scenario: Mixed Use - Medical Office Building with Retail Space at Grade

#### **Existing Land Use and Assessed Valuation**

Parcel	Address	Land Area	Building Area (3)	FY16 Assessed Valuation	A/V Per SF of Land
Gulf Gas Station (1)	25 Washington St.	18,500	0	\$3,245,100	\$175.41
Brookline Animal Hospital	676 - 678 Brookline Ave.	7,427	6,593	\$2,328,000	\$313.45
Swanson Automotive Services (2)	666 Brookline Ave.	6,251	3,036	\$958,400	\$153.32
Alignment Specialty Co.	654 Brookline Ave.	3,186	2,664	\$674,600	\$211.74
Shambala Mediation Center	646 Brookline Ave.	4,635	4,703	\$1,157,400	\$249.71
Brookline Foreign Motors	636 Brookline Ave.	4,854	4,656	\$1,030,900	\$212.38
Brookline Ice & Coal	610 Brookline Ave.	8,691	6,324	\$1,486,100	\$170.99
Town of Brookline (vacant)	0 Brookline Ave.	555	0	\$130,300	\$234.77
District Totals & Weighted Ave.	- -	54,099	27,976	\$11,010,800	\$203.53

Average Size Parcel Excluding Town Owned Land

7,649

Average Size Parcel Excluding Town & 25 Washington

5,841

#### Footnotes:

- (1) Acquired by Claremont Hotel Group for redevelopment as select service hotel; existing building has been razed
- (2) Land area includes sewer easement
- (3) Maximum building area per existing zoning is Floor Area Ratio (FAR) = 1.0

#### **Estimated Fair Market Value**

Assembly Value Premium

150%

Parcel	Address	Land Area	FY16 Assessed Valuation	Assembly Value	Adjusted FMV PSF of Land
Gulf Gas Station (1)	25 Washington St.	18,500	\$3,245,100	\$4,867,650	\$263.12
Brookline Animal Hospital	676 - 678 Brookline Ave.	7,427	\$2,328,000	\$3,492,000	\$470.18
Swanson Automotive Services	666 Brookline Ave.	6,251	\$958,400	\$1,437,600	\$229.98
Alignment Specialty Co.	654 Brookline Ave.	3,186	\$674,600	\$1,011,900	\$317.61
Shambala Mediation Center	646 Brookline Ave.	4,635	\$1,157,400	\$1,736,100	\$374.56
Brookline Foreign Motors	636 Brookline Ave.	4,854	\$1,030,900	\$1,546,350	\$318.57
Brookline Ice & Coal	610 Brookline Ave.	8,691	\$1,486,100	\$2,229,150	\$256.49
Town of Brookline (vacant)	0 Brookline Ave.	555	\$130,300	\$195,450	\$352.16
District Totals & Weighted Ave.	<u> </u>	54,099	\$11,010,800	\$16,516,200	\$305.30

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Scenario: Mixed Use - Medical Office Building with Retail / Professional Service Space at Grade

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM					
<u>Development Site</u> Location Land Area - Square Feet		Brookline, MA 13,678			
Building Summary Total Floors Height (feet) Floor Plate Gross SF		8 90 10,400			
			Excluded	Excluded	
Type of Space Retail / Professional Service Parking Parking Parking Medical Office Medical Office Medical Office Medical Office Total RSF	Floor 1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Gross SF 10,400 10,400 10,400 10,400 10,400 10,400 10,400 83,200	5.0% 5.0% 5.0% 5.0%	(520) (520) (520) (520) (520) (520) (5720)	9,880 9,880 9,880 9,880 9,880 46,280
Parking Underground Grade Garage Total	Total Spaces 0 0 75 75	Parking Ratios Per 1,000 RSF:	1.6		

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#### DEVELOPMENT PRO FORMA

Development Scenario: Mixed Use - Senior Apartments with Retail / Professional Service Space at Grade

Develo	pment Site
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Location	Brookline, MA
Land Area - Square Feet	21,921

#### **Building Summary**

Total Floors	7
Height (feet)	80

Floor	Main Lobby	Retail SF	Parking SF	Residential SF	Total Gross SF
1	747	11,711	3,223	0	15,681
2		0	14,526	4,265	18,791
3		0	14,499	4,265	18,764
4		0	0	18,952	18,952
5		0	0	18,718	18,718
6		0	O	16,872	16,872
7		0	0	7,941	7,941
Total	747	11,711	32,248	71,013	115,719

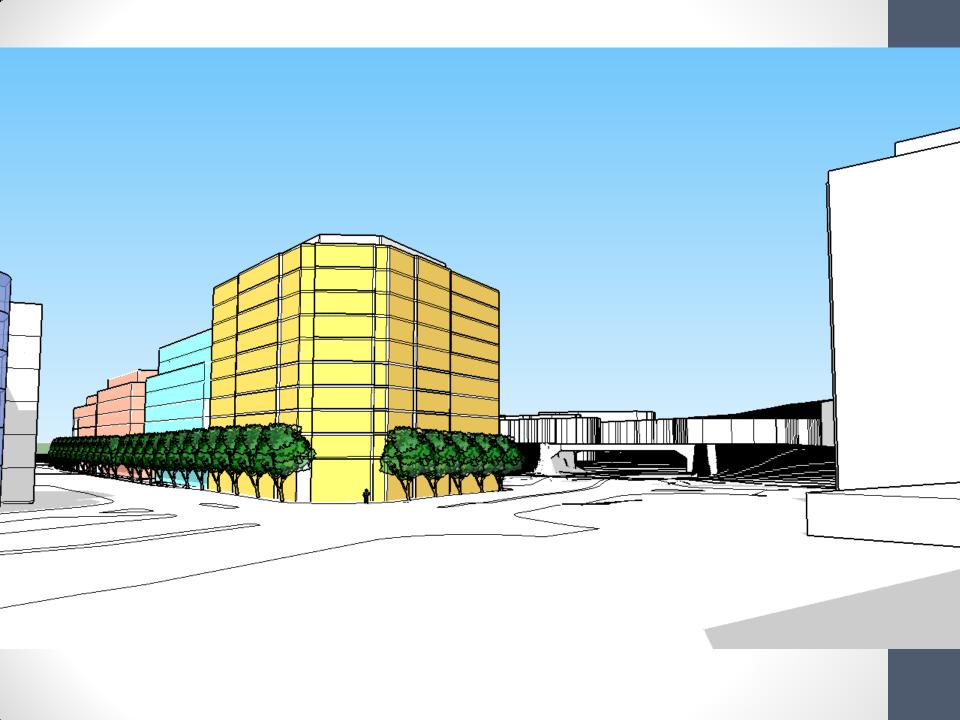
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Type of Space	Gross SF	Common Area %	Common Area	Rentable SF
Retail / Professional Service	11,711	25%	(2,928)	8,783
Residential	71,013	18%	(12,782)	58,231
Total RSF	82,724	<del></del>	(15,710)	67,014

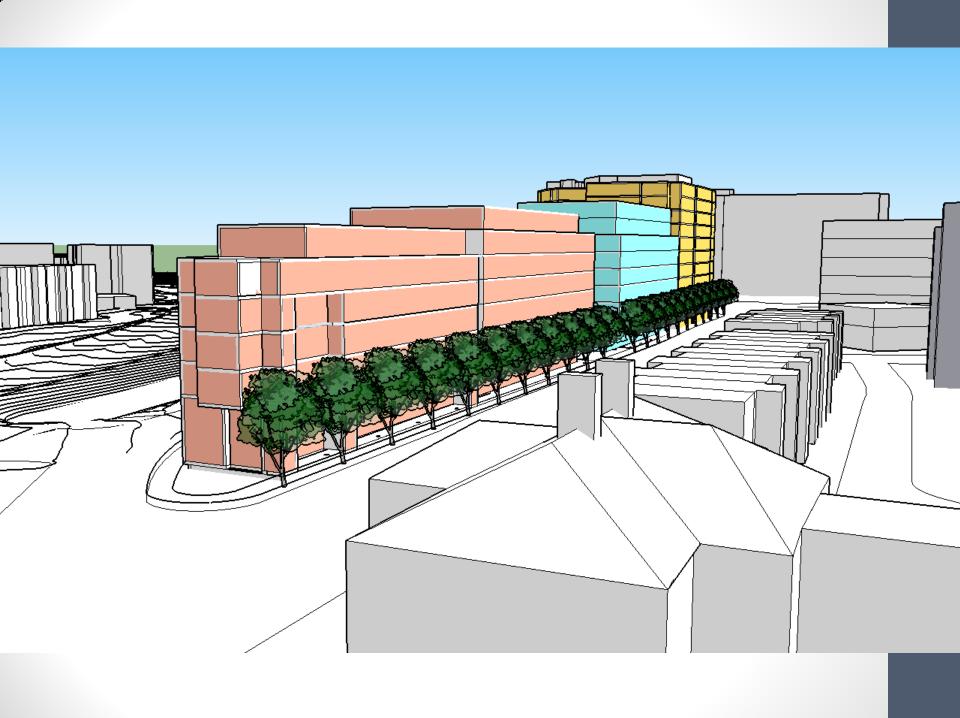
Residential Units	Percent of Total	Rentable SF
Market Rate	85%	49,496
Affordable	15%	8,735
Total	100%	58,231

<u>Total Spaces</u>	Parking Ratios	
0	Per 1,000 RSF:	0.9
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### PROPOSED PROJECT - VIEW EAST ALONG RTE. 9







# Uses Being Analyzed

- Hotel
- Office (general, medical, co-working)
- Residential (micro units, age restricted, live/work space)
- Retail (restaurant/café, convenience store+)
- \* Permission to "color outside the lines"

# **Next Steps**

### May

- Claremont Presentation of Revised Massing (May 4)
- Pam McKinney Presentation to RRSC on preliminary analysis (May 18)
- Ramp up negotiations surrounding a developer agreement
- Begin drafting zoning

#### June

- Zoning subommittee continue work on public benefits
- Architecture subcommittee work on design guidelines
- Pam McKinney final analysis and recommendations
- Continue negotiations surrounding developer agreement
- Public meeting to preview zoning and Hotel proposal
- Committee review and revise draft zoning

### **Late June/early July**

Finalize zoning and WA